

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully point out that, contrary to the indication on the Restriction Requirement dated June 30, 2006, claims 76-105 were canceled on the transmittal of the divisional application filed on July 7, 2003. Accordingly, claims 1-75 are pending. Furthermore, pursuant to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants confirm the election of Group I, claims 1-75, for examination.

The Examiner also indicates that Applicants are further required to elect a single combination of "cleavable group," "functional group," and "reactive group." Applicants elect, with traverse, a photocleavable group, a mass tag functional group, and a reactive group that reacts with a sulfhydryl group for the cleavable group, functional group and reactive group, respectively. An exemplary photocleavable group, mass tag functional group, and sulfhydryl reactive group is shown in Figure 1. Applicants further provide as Exhibit 1 a copy of Figure 1 with the groups marked. Applicants submit that it would not be an undue burden on the Examiner to examine additional cleavable groups, functional groups or reactive groups, as disclosed in the specification.

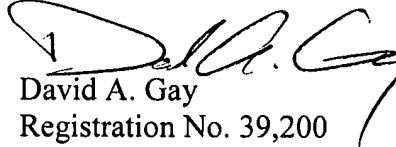
Applicants elect the claims of Group I, claims 1-75, for examination and further elect the combination of a photocleavable group, a mass tag functional group, and a reactive group that reacts with a sulfhydryl group for the cleavable group, functional group and reactive group, respectively. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned agent if there are any questions.

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To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 502624 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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